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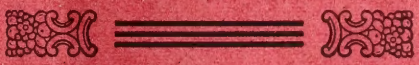

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ROLL OF DELEGATES.

A. L. Leak, Charman, Route 2, Wadesboro, N. C.
Rev. B. B. Sturdivant, P. A. Davis, J. Q. Robinson, Rev. J. W. Diggs, G. R. West and K. D. Crowder.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Brown Creek—Richmond Sturdivant, Mrs. Martha Streeter.
Bethel—Misses Rosa Crump and Shellie Davis.
Cedar Creek—Willie Huntley and John Phillips.
Chilson Grove—Chester Diggs andMiss Christine Harris.
Cool Springs—Miss Janie Ingram and F. A. Sturdivant.
Deep Creek—Misses Fannie Beverly, Allie Little and P. W. Baucom.
Elizabeth (M.)—Messrs. I. S. A. Hilliard, W. L. Carter, W. T. Gatewood and Miss Hattie Richardson.
Elizabeth (P. D.)—Miss Mary J. Robinson and Mrs. E. A. Pratt.
Ebenezer—Misses Elma Dunn, Edna Barrett and J. S. Barrett.
FlatRock—Miss Beatrice Ratliff, Miss Jessie Marshall.
Fletchers Grove—Mrs. H. F. Shaw and Mrs. E. B. Davis.
Flint Ridge—G. W. Tanner, L. R. Rushing and Miss Mary Tanner.
Friendship—Mrs. K. C. Crowder, Miss Beatrice Nivens and W. M. Nivens.
Long Pine—James Collins, Vernon Morgan and Miss Lula Hinson.
Meltonville—K. D. Crowder, Raymond Rorie and Miss Manora Crodwer.
Madison Grove—S. L. Leak, Jr., J. C. Cason, W. H. Melton and Miss Ola E. Baucom.
Mount Zion—Miss Maud Polk.
McLain Grove—James Conrod and Miss Mattie Cash.
New Grove—
Nicy Grove—J. J. Ashcraft and Miss D. E. Staton.

New Zion—Miss Cora B. Horne and H. Medlin.

Olive Branch—Rev. J. F. Davis.

Parsons Grove—G. R. West, Misses Mattie Long and Pearl Curlee.

Poplar Hill—G. W. Tillman, Misses Bessie Tillman and Miss Sarah Lomax.

Poplar Springs—P. A. Davis, J. A. Harris and Miss Narsis Davis.

Pleasant Hill—Miss M. J. Little and S. D. Wall.

Rockford (E.)—Miss Mary J. Sellers and Carrie B. Tillman.

Rockford (W.)—Misses Mary Horne, Effie Dean and Fred Leak.

Ramah Grove—Misses Anna J. Chavis and Ollie Horne

Sandy Ridge—Miss Mary Bivens, D. D. McCoy and J. R. McCoy.

Shankel Grove—Misses Ida Crump and Minnie Huntley.

Saron—Miss Eleanor Lindsey and Fletcher Briley.

Timmonsville—R. T. Sellers and Miss O. J. Sellers.

Thomasville—J. A. Farris and Miss Mary Taylor.

White Oak Grove—R. C. Cox, Miss Maggie Parson and J. H. Ratliff.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. The name of this body shall be the Zion Missionary Baptist Sunday School Convention.

Article 2. The objects of the Convention shall be to establish and improve Baptist Sunday Schools in all the Churches and destitute neighborhoods throughout the bounds of Zion's field; to awaken a general interest in the religious education of both old and young; improve the literary training of the young men and women; and to raise money for the A. B. P. S., State Missions, Foreign Missions, Girls' Aid Fund, and Local Education.

Article 3. The Convention shall be composed of regular Baptist Sunday Schools in the bounds of Zion's field in full practice of the faith, Sunday School superintendents, ministers belonging to Zion's Association, delegates elected annually by the Sunday Schools of this body and pastors whom are pastoring in this field.

Article 4. The officers of this Convention shall be President, Vice-President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditor, and Board of Managers. No one

shall be members ex-officio of this Conventin unless they be at their election a member in good standing in some Missionary Baptist Church. No one shall be a delegate to this Convention who is not a member of a Missinary Baptist Sunday School.

Article 5. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Convention, to decide all points of order and perform such other duties as usually belong to a presiding officer.

Article 6. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to record the proceedings of the Convention while in session, and prepare intelligently for the press, and perform all other duties that are required of a Secretary.

Article 7. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary of this Convention to correspond with the schools of this Convention and make full report to the Convention, He shall be Secretary to the Board of Managers.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall hold all mneys belonging to this Convention and shall give bond to the full security of the Convention's property in hishands . He shall pay all orders on the Treasury, signed by the Chairman and Secretary and of the Board of Managers.

Article 9. The Auditor shall before each annual meeting, examine carefully the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

Article 10. The Board of Managers shall have full power to emplay measures that will most suitably carry out the wishes of the Convention. They shall employ missionaries, appoint their field of labor and fix their salaries. They shall also have the supervision of the disbursement of the funds coming into the Convention. Any insufficient amount raised by the schools for any object named in Article 2 shall be supplied out of the general funds. They shall also fix the bond of the Treasurer and see that it is given. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

Article 11. Each Sunday School of this Convention Shall contribute annually to same 4 cents per scholar, raise 50 cents to represent in the State Sunday School Convention and be allowed to represent with one messenger for every 35 students or any fractional part thereof; Provided, any school wishing to represent into the State Sunday School Convention independently is relieved of paying the 50 cents capitation tax in this Convention.

Article 12. All committees shall do their work during the recess of the body and shall not be at liberty to absent themselves without permission from the chair.

Article 13. The auxiliaries of the field may hold a joint session with the Convention and special time shall be given them during each session of the Convention for their reports.

Article 14. This Convention shall meet annually on Thursday at 10 A. M. after the second Sunday in July, open with an introductory sermon, and continue in session until the businessiscompleted.

Article 15. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

PROCEEDINGS.

Lilesville, N. C., July 15th, 1915.

Promptly at 8:30 P. M. the Zion Missionary Baptist Sunday School Convention assembled in the spacious, comfortable edifice of Parsons Grove in its twenty-third annual session, Rev. J. F. Davis, of Wingate, N. C., the President of the Convention, presiding.

Bro. G. W. Timmons lined hymn No. 338 C. M. Bro S. M. Leak offered prayer. Second hymn 459 C. M. was lined by Rev. Robert Alsobrooks. Rev. W. K. Bennett read select scriptures 1st Peter, Acts 10, Mark 16. Afterward Rev. R. Diggs led in a fervent prayer.

Rev. Bennett, who was to preach the introductory sermon arose and announced as a text Ex. 20:8, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Subject, "Obedience."

The speaker in his discourse brought out many vital points which are very essential to salvation. At the conclu sion of the sermon Rev. A. D. Marshall led in prayer. A collection of $4.35 was taken by Rev. J. T. Ratliff.

Rev. J. F. Davis, the President, made some announcements and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. K. Bennett.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled with Rev. J. F. Davis, the President, presiding.

Sandy Ridge delegates conducted the praise services. Mr. Daniel McCoy, after singing a select song, read the first

division of the Psalms. Second hymn No. 704 S. M. was sung. Mr. I. S. A. Hilliard led in prayer.

At this point the President announced that we would spend a few moments listening to expressions from the workers of the Convention. After expressions from many, interspersed with music, Mr. H. Medlin led in prayer. The praise service wasc oncluded.

The President, after some preliminary remarks, announced the house open and ready for business.

The roll of the schools was called and delegates enrolled to which the following schools answered. (See roll elsewhere.) Cool Springs, Pleasant Hill, Rockford (W.), Ramah Grove, Sandy Ridge, Shankles Grove, Olive Branch, Saron, Timmonsville, Thomasville, Deep Creek, Elizabeth (M.), Flint Ridge, Madison Grove, New Zion, Nicy Grove, Poplar Springs.

At this point the various committees were appointed.

The hour having arrived to listen to the welcome addresses, they were given as follows:

Mr. George R. West on the part of the church, which was listened to with interest.

Mrs. M. J. Leak gave an excellent address on the part of the Sunday Schools.

Rev. J. J. Hines in a masterly and scholarly way made the welcome address on behalf of the ministry.

After hearing the welcome addresses which made us all feel much at home, Rev. J. T. Ratliff in his modest, pleasant manner responded on behalf of the Convention and visitors.

Reaching the point on the program for the President's annual address, Rev. J. F. Davis, the President, ascended the rostrum and delivered one of the best addresses he had ever delivered to us, which is saying much. For further information read the address, which you will find on another page.

Rev. J. R. Faison, who was to respond to the address not being present, Rev. H. I. Quick was asked to make the response, whoich he did in a masterly way, which was satiefactory to all who heard him. The address was referred to the proper committee.

The next subject on the program was: "A Woman's Influence in the Sunday School." Miss Dora P. Gatewood read a splendid paper on the subject, which was responded to by Rev. W. K. Bennett. A collection of $5.10 was taken by Rev. R. W. Alsobrooks. Benediction by Rev. H. I. Quick.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Praise services were conducted by the Long Pine delegates. Mr. James Collins lined hymn No. 530 S. M., "Come ye that love the Lord," etc. Mr. V. L. Morgan read Ex. 20:1-18; second hymn 507 C. M., "I heard the voice of Jesus say," etc. Prayer by Mr. Saint Sturdivant. This brought the praise service to a close.

Mr. A. L.Lea k, the Vice-President, announced the house open and ready for business.

The first business was to call the schools that had not registered: Brown Creek, Cedar Creek, Chilson Grove, Elizabeth (P. D.), Ebenezer, Flat Rock, Fletchers Grove, Long Pine, Meltonsville, McLains Grove, Parsons Grove, Poplar Hill, White Oak Grove, New Grove, Bethel, Rockford (E.) and Cool Springs. All responded to the roll call and their delegates were enrolled.

An invitation was exteded to visitors. Rev. J. B. Blake from Sandy River Association, Revs. E. H. Hough, H. A. Flowers, J. R. Robertson, J. C. Capell and W. T. Barrett, all of whom were from the A. M. E. Z. connection. Also Mrs. J. R. Faison, the matron of Zion Academy, came forward and was made welcome and given seats among us.

The subject, "The Boys," on the program was next discussed. Mr. P. W. Baucom read an excellent paper on the subject, bringing out some excellent points. Miss Mary C. Leak and Mrs. A. C. Robinson each read papers on the same subject which were full of thought and inspiration.

Greeting from the different Christian branches of the field was given by the following persons: Mrs. A. C. Robinson, the President of the Woman's Missionary Society, spoke of this work in a very encouraging way. Miss Ida Shadd spoke of progress being made in the mission work of the Yadkin-and Philadelphia Association. Bro. A. B. Moore, presented the work of the Young Men and Women's Association in a very enthusiastic manner.

The committee on time and a place made its report. (See report.) The committee on organization made its report. (See report.) The committee on Missions made its report. (See report.) A collection of $2.51 was taken by Bro. A. B. Moore. Benediction by Rev. J. T. Ratliff.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled, Flat Rock delegates conducting the praise services. (Mr. Jacob Parsons and Mr.

S. O. Wall.) After song services and prayer by Rev. J. B. Blake. The hour having arrived for the Sunday School sermon, Rev. J. J. Hines lined hymn No. 309 C. M., and read 2 Timothy 3:1-9 as a scripture lesson. Prayer was offered by Mr. A. L. Leak. Song No. 450 was sung. Rev. Hines introduced Rev. B. B. Sturdivant who was to preach the sermon. Rev. Sturdivant took for a text Pro. 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The speaker said in part: "The body is the servant of the mind, if the mind is engaged in good things the body would do good service." The sermon was preached with power and demonstration and was pregnant with rich thoughts. After singing, Rev. B. J. Pratt led in prayer. Mr. A. L. Leak lifted a collection of $10.63. Benediction by Rev. B. B. Sturdivant.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Convention assembled, the President in the chair. Flint Ridge delegates conducted the praise services. Mr. G. W. Tanner lined hymn No. 367 C. M.; Mr. L. R. Rushing read the 23rd division of the Psalms. Prayer was offered by Mr. J. C. Cason. Song, "Children of the Heavenly King," etc., was sung; prayer by Rev. A. M. Barrett. Song 22 C. M., "Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing," etc., was sung. Prayer was offered by Mr. H. Medlin. This brought the praise servie to a close.

The President after making some remarks on various subjects, announced the house open and ready for business.

On motion the proceedings of the previous session were read and adopted.

An invitation was extended to visitors. Rev. Dr. A. M. Barrett, of Barrett's College, was introduced to the Convention and made some timely remarks. The time having expired for remarks, on motion Mr. I. S. A. Hilliard be allowed to present the work of the Baracaclass.

The Corresponding Secretary made his report. (See report.) On motion the report be received.

The subject, "How may we as parents give the Sunday School her rightful place in the church and community?" Misses H. E. Baucom and Bessie Tillman each read well prepared papers on the subject. Prof. G. W. Baucom read a paper on the same subject which was lofty in thought, rich with intellectual gems, practicable in its application.

"The ideal teacher and the means a teacher may employ to become the ideal." Miss Mary J. Robinson read an excellent paper on that subject.

By order of the President we suspend the work as laid down on program and hear reports of committees:

The committee on the President's address made its report. (See report.)

At this point all business was suspended to listen to the missionary sermon, which was to be preached by Rev. J. R. Faison, the principal of Zion Academy.

The President announced that we would have 10 minutes recreation. Benediction by Rev. R. Diggs.

The congregation reassembled. Rev. J. W. Diggs lined hymn No. 801 S. M. Rev. W. H. Horne read for a scripture lesson Rom. 12:1-23. Prayer by Rev. Dr. A. M. Barrett. Second hymn 800 L. M., "Go preach my gospel says the Lord," etc. Rev. Faison arose and anounced as a text Matthew 28:18-20, "And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Rev. Faison preached a strong, forceful, practical, scriptural sermon, which was edifying, instructive and inspiring. At the conclusion of the sermon, Rev. J. B. Blake led in a fervent prayer. A collection of $6.55 was taken by Mr. A. L. Leak.

The committee on obituary made its report. On motion the report be remanded back to the committee for completion. Doxology was sung. Benediction by Rev. J. R. Faison.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reasembled, Rev. J. F. Davis, the President, in the chair.

The praise services were conducted by Nicy Grove delegates. After singing a selection, the 28th division of the Psalms was read. Mr. Sherman Parsons led in prayer. Song, "Father, I stretch my hands to thee," etc., was sung. Mr. J. Q. Robinson led in prayer. The praise services was brought to a close. The President made some preliminary remarks concerning the work, then announced the house open and ready for business.

The minutes of the forenoon sesion were called for, read and adopted.

The reports of the various committees were made. The committee on essays made their report. See report.) The committee on resolutions made its report. (See report.) The committee on education made its report. (See report.) The committee on education made its report (See report.) The Treasurer made his report (See report. The committee on obituary made its report. ((See report. The committee on finance made its report. (See report.) The committee on ways and means made its report. (See report.) The committee on Constitution made its report. (See report.) This brought us up to the point on the program for the reading of essays.

The first on the program was Miss Dezzie Staton, subject, "The Model Christian. Miss Pearl C. Curlee, subject, "Principle." Miss Martha Long, subject, "Should Hygiene be Ttaugt in Sunday School?" Miss Ola Baucom, "The Kind of Girls We Need." Miss Allie Horne, "What Are We Doing for the Children?" Miss Hattie Richardson, "Strength of Character." Miss Martha West, "A Good Name." Miss Queen Coppedge, "Character." There were some exceleltn essays read during the literary program. Afterward Madison Grove talent thrilled the audience with a quintette.

On motion Rev. J. F. Davis, the President, be sent as our delegate to the State Sunday School Convention.

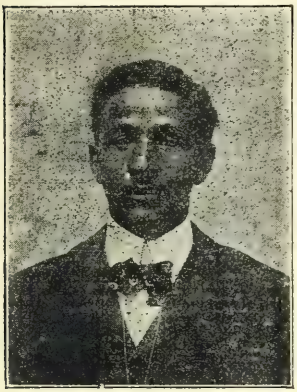
The report of the Board of Managers was read and adopted.

A resolution, read by Rev. J. R. Faison, tendering the thanks of delegates and visitors was adopted by a standing vote. Long meter doxology was sung and Rev. B. J. Parsons prouounced the benediction. Thus closed the Convention.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

In compliance with custom, it is a pleasure as well as a duty for me to engage your attention at this point of our proceedings. To speak to you of my relation to you and this great institution, delegates and workers of the Zion Sunday School Convention, I feel keenly a sense f my unworthiness and also my obligation to you for these many years that you have cast at my disposal the highest gift in the realm of this great institution. I love this institution with all my heart, not only because it "found me wondering, set me right, turned my darkness into light," but because it is lovable by all who are rightly brought in touch with its influence. In the Sunday School there are abundant opportunities for all to become more efficient and progressive in Christian work. I am realizing more fully from year to year the duties involved upon us, and the work required at our hands. There is being more clearly outlined the opportunities that are ours to fulfill. Our Lord said "Greater works than these shall ye do because I go to my Father." It is but justice to the love of God, and the sufferings of Jesus that we increase the volume of our work. Jesus, while here, taught us that He would send upon us the abiding presence of God, and that we should receive power, after the Holy Ghost had come upon us. With all the promises and assurances that we have in the word of God, there is no reason for us to allow the beautises and glories of this world to induce us to be shorn of our power and become like other men. We that are born of God hath power because we have covenanted to do His commandments. Jesus said: "I have power to lay my life down and take it again, because my Father commanded it.



PRESIDENT J. F. DAVIS

We have but to study the treasure of God's divine graces and providence in order to become the hero of the ages and upon this principle I congratulate you and tncourage you, as students in the schools of the prophets, to let down your nets for a draught,

for there is much in this great sea of time to be brought to shore for the glory of the Master, if ye will believe it. Jesus said: "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believes." In order to have a substantial faith—

"A faith that keeps the narrow way,
Till life's last hour is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray,
Light up a dying bed,"

Is to study the entire Bible. God is not responsible for our mistakes, reading here and there in the Bible. By the study of the entire Bible from Genesis to Revelation you get the doctrine of the Missionary Baptist, otherwise you are liable to fall into any creed that suits the sectoin of Scripture that you study.

From almost every unusual occurrence in the providence of God and the transactions of men from the time of Moses down through the Apostolic age some creed of religion has been built. And these differences of creeds are all because of a partial understanding of the Bible.

Faith has never been what it ought to be. Even in Christ's time there were diversities of opinions, and also when Adam was holy and happy in the Garden of Eden in the course of events he was induced to believe otherwise. Jesus said: "But the comforter which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name will give it you."

This great and glorious realization will come to us when we give ourselves unreservedly to the Holy Ghost, and an impartial and unselfish study of the Scriptures complete.

THINGS TO ENCOURAGE US BY THE WAY.

Many of our Sunday Schools are getting out of the old dormant idea of merely to exist, and to criticize all who mzay not come, but are adding suggestive, helpful and influential features, such as the Baraca and Philathea Classes in the Sunday Schools. The cradle roll, and the teachers' meetings, when these are rightly conducted they will bring power and influence to the Sunday school.

Allow me to speak, by way of emphasis, of the Sundoy School of Monroe. The little ones are given at least two outings or picnics each year, and that will bring more joy to the little ones than anything else. When a member of the Baraca is sick and away a token of their manifest interest is sent totheir bedside, and if they be in a needy condition a contribution is sent. These with many other progressive and helpful features are being carried on by some of

our Sunday Schools which makes one feel proud to belong to the Sunday School.

THE YEAR JUST PASSED.

It is almost discouraging to mention the year just passed. In some of its features although it is fitly encouraging in others. The War in Europe unprecedented by material and means to destroy life, has eleven countries engaged, using every means of ingenuity to destroy life and property, expending at least $25,000,000 daily, using thier best skill and effort to destroy. It has paralyzed many features of our social and commercial relations, and spreading distress to the ends of the earth. This has be no means injured the progress of the Church, but has put wings to the opportunity of the Church and sent out shrieks of the crying need of the King of Salem or of peace. It has opened the flood-gates of heretofore barred opportunities and heralded the Church go forward with your triumphal march pealing forth the glorious news of free salvation through the cross, which will bring an end to war and bloodshed and sin and death, and the implements of war will be beaten into plowshares, and useful instruments for man's best service, and the shouts of halleujah shall sound throughout the universe. Let whatever may engage your mind we believe the crying need of the Church today is a consecrated and supportd ministry.

THEREFORE WE RECOMMEND—

1. That the Sunday School boost an intelligent, consecrated and supported pastoral service.

2. That this Convention go on record as the most serviceable and inspiring and the most unselfish in all our conventional efforts i the history of Zion.

3. That we put forth strenuous endeavors to obtain from every school a reasonable amount for each object in the Constitution, and if by any means the School has met unprepared let them pledge it and send it in, in a few days.

Respectfully submitted, J. F. DAVIS.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mr. President and Members of this great Convention:—

After another year of arduous toil under Providence of God we have met in this our twenty-third annual Convention to discuss the problems, both failures and successes of the Sunday School work.

Our being here is a manifestation of God's blessings to us, while He has gathered many of the lambs of His flock home to His bosom, He has graciously spared us for the es-

tablishment of His kingdom among men, and all are beginning to see the development of the Kingdom of God is and ought to be the ultimate purpose of all of our endeavors. That His kingdom may come and His will be done on earth even as it is done in heaven.

Now, dear brethren, since the last Convention we have tried to remind you of the objects of this Convention by writing you when we thought best. As might be expected the schools are taking a more lively interest in the objects of the Convention from year to year.

We recommend that the attendance card be used by our schools, if you have not something better.

We further recommend that a special collection be taken to help pay the expenses of building a porch at Zion's Academy.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. RATLIFF, Cor. Secretary.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

	American Paptist Publication Society	Representin Fee	State S. S. Convention	State and Foreign Missions	Girls' Education	Zion Academy	Delegates' Expenses	Total
Brown Creek	$	$ 1.20	$ .50	$ .50	$ .50	$ .50	$ .50	$ 3.70
Bethel		.80	.50					1.30
Cedar Creek		2.80	.50	.25	.25	.50		4.30
Chilson Grove		.72	.50		.27		.25	1.74
Cool Springs		.75			.25	.25		1.25
Deep Creek		7.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.50	11 50
Elizabeth (M.)		5.00	.50	.50	.50	1.00	.50	8.00
Elizabeth (P. D.)	.75	1.44	.50	.25	.25	.25	.50	3.94
Ebenezer		1.40	.50	.25	.25	.25	.45	3.10
Flat Rock		1.40	.50					1 90
Fletchers Grove		1.00	.50		.25		.25	2 25
Flint Ridge		2.00	.50				.50	3.00
Friendship		1.60	.50				.40	2.50
Long Pine		2.40	.50	.50	1.50			4.90
Meltonville		6.36				1.00		7.36
Madison Grove		4.52	.50	.50	1.00		.50	7.02
Mt. Zion		1.20	.30		.50			2.00
McLains Grove		1.00	.50	.50				2.00
New Grove								

Nicy Grove		2.40	.50					2.90
New Zion		1.68	.50	.50	.50	1.50	.50	5.18
+ Parsons Grove		4.00	.50				.50	5.00
+ Poplar Hill		2.00						2.00
Poplar Springs		2.40	.50			.25	.50	3.65
Pleasant Hill		.52	.50		.25	.25		1.52
Olive Branch		.52	.50					1.02
Rockford (E.)		.82	.50			1.00	.50	2.80
+ Rockford (W.)	1.00	1.20	.50	25	.25	1.00		4.20
+ Ramah Grove		2.00	.50		.25	.25	.25	3.25
Sandy Ridge		2.00	.50	.50	.50		.50	4.00
+ Shankle Grove		1.00	.50				.50	2.00
Saron		1 00	.50	.25		.25		2.00
+ Timmonsville		2.76		.50	.25	.25		3.76
+ Thomasville		.68						.68

White Oak Grove
Green Hill

FINANCIAL TABLE.

	American Baptist Publicaion Society	Incidental Expenses	Contribution to Church	Representing Fee	State S. S. Convention	State and Foreign Missions	Zion Academy	Amount Sent to Convention	Amount Collected	Girls' Education	Other Objects
Brown Creek	$ 1.50	$	$	$ 1.25	$ .50	$ .50	$ .50	$ 3.70	$ 14.54	$ .50	$ 8.53
Bethel	1.00	5.00	2.00	.80	.50	1.50	.50	1.30	15.85	.25	5.00
Cedar Creek	1.00	2.10		2.80	.50	.25	.50	4.30	41.40	.25	
Chilson Grove	2.25		5.00	.72	.50			1.74		.27	
Cool Springs	.25	2.50		.30	.25		.25	1.25	1.25	.25	
Deep Creek	7.00		5.72	7.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	11.50		1.00	.50
Elizabeth (M.)	2.50	46.10	15.50	5.00	.50	.50	1.00	8.00	79.10	.50	7.00
Elizabeth (P. D.)	.75		21.30	1.44	.50	.25	.25	3.44	17.25	.25	
Ebenezer	.50		4.00	1.35	.50			1.85	8.11		
Flat Rock	.25	.25		1.20	.50	.25	.25			.25	
Fletchers Grove	1.50	5.00	3.00	1.00	.50	1.50	.50	2.00	20.25	.25	10.00
Flint Ridge	1.60			2.00	1.00			3.00	3.00		
Friendship	1.00	7.00	5.00	2.00	.50			2.50	28.00		
Long Pine	2.00			2.40	.50	.50	1.50	4.90	4.38		
Meltonville	5.00			6.36			1.00	7.36	48.21		
Madison Grove	2.00	8.98		4.52	.50	.50		7.02	23.98	1.00	.50
Mt. Zion				1.20				1.50		.50	
McLain Grove	1.00			1.00	.50	.50		2.00	6.00		

New Grove											
Nicy Grove			2.00	1.20	.50			1.70	8.20		
New Zion				1.68	.50	.50	1.50	5.18	12.85	.50	
Olive Branch				.52	.50						
Parsons Grove	1.50	10.62		4.00							
Poplar Hill	3.00			2.00				2.00			
Poplar Springs	1.00	6.69	2.50	2.40	.50		.25	3.15	19.33		3.85
Pleasant Hill			3.00	.52	.50		.25	1.52	5.00	.25	
Rockford (E.)	1.00			.80	.50		1.00	2.80	6.00		
Rockford (W.)	1.00	5.00		1.20	.50	.25	1.00	4.20	10.20	.25	
Ramah Grove	15.00		.75	2.00	.50	4.40	.25	3.00		.25	
Sandy Ridge	4.00			2.00	.50			4.00	13.68	.50	.50
Shankle Grove	2.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	.50	2.00	.50			50	5.00
Saron	.75			1.00	.50	.25	.25	2.00	4.65		
Timmonsville	.50			2.75		.50	.25		14.31	.25	
Thomasville				.68				.68			
White Oak Grove	2.50	1.00	4.00	2.40	.50	.50	25	4.00	10.00	.25	.50

STATISTICAL TABLE.

SCHOOLS, SUPTS. AND THEIR POSTOFFICES	Monhts Open	Teachers and Officer	No. Classes	No. Scholars on Rol	Average Attendance	No. Representive	No. in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Gained	No. Converts	Copies Literature	Books in Library	Religious Papers
Brown Creek—Richmond Sturdivant, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	9	3	30	20	30		5		6	89	72	1
Chilson Grove—B. B. Bennett, Lilesville, N. C.	12	5	3	18	10	12					21		
Cool Springs—Frank McNair, Morven, N. C.	12	4	2	20	15	15		4			60	5	
Bethel—G. A. Recardscy, Route 2, Norwood, N. C.	12	6	3	20	20	15	10	10	5	8	250	10	2
Cedar Creek—Jas. Sinclair Route 1, Chesterfield, S. C.	12	12	3	70	40	70			20	27	244	8	
Deep Creek—B. F. Dargan, Route 2, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	11	3	175	120	175		20	40	12	600		3
Elizabeth (M.)—J. Q. Robinson, Monroe, N. C.	12	14	9	125	49	125			18	9	382	75	
Elizabeth (P. D.—H. P. Lindsey, Pee Dee, N. C.	12	6	3	36	21	36		8		6	90	25	
Ebenezer—G. W. Crowder, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	7	4	35	30	34					200	20	
Flat Rock—J. P. Parsons, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	6	3	35	25	35			15			40	
Fletchers Grove—H. H. Thomas, McColls, S. C.	12	7	4	30	20	20	10	10		8	350	30	2
Flint Ridge—G. W. Tanner, Route 1, Marshville, N. C.	12	7	4	50	24	50			10		80	20	
Friendship—W. M. Nivens, Monroe, N. C.	12	6	4	40	30	40			10	1	160	30	2
Long Pine—James Collins, Route 1, Chesterfield, S. C.	12	9	3	60	40	60			30		327	14	
Meltonville—K. D. Crowder, White Store, N. C.	12	11	6	148		159					510	40	
Madison Grove—G. W. Baucom, Route 2, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	10	3	113	30	113		2	8	9	474	6	
Mt. Zion—Samuel Hubbard, Polkton, N. C.	7	4	3	30	20	30		6	5		75	15	
McLains Grove—James Conrad, McFarlan, N. C.	7	6	3	20	10	19		7	2	1	75		
New Grove—													

Nicy Grove—E. W. Crowder, Route 2, Wingate, N. C.	12	10	4	77	40	60	30		10	13	300		
New Zion—James K. Alsobrooks, Route 2, Peachland, N. C.	12	8	4	42	30	42				6	169	25	
Olive Branch—Thomas Parker, Route 2, Marshville, N. C.	5	4	1	13		13							
Parsons Grove—G. R. West, Morvin, N. C.	12	10	6	100		80					319	62	
Poplar Hill—G. W.Tillman, White Store, N. C.	12	11	4	50	35	50				5	205	18	
Poplar Springs—P. A. Davis, Route 2, Polkton, N. C.	12	16	4	90	60	60		10	10	7	440	20	
Pleasant Hill—R. B. Bradley, Morven, N. C.	12	6	2	26	13	13		8	7	7	44		1
Rockford (E.)—Sandy Clinton, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	6	3	20	15	20					75		
Rockford (W.)—L. Z. Gatewood, Wadesboro, N. C.	12	3	3	30							300		
Ramah Grove—J. J. Hough, McFarlan, N. C.	12	9	3	55	30	50					400		
Sandy Ridge—D. L. McCoy, Morven, N. C.	12	10	3	50	40	50	3	4	3	3	272	12	
Shankle Grove—A. D. Davies, Norwood, N. C.	10	7	4	35	25	25	10	10	5	2	300	15	
Saron—A. A. Taylor, Polkton, N. C.	6	5	2	25	15	25					69		
Timmonsville—G. W. Sellers, Ruby, S. C.	12	7	3	62	50	62	25	8	4		195	24	1
Thomasville—J. A. Farris, Route 8, Monroe,N. C.	8	7	2	17	8	17					30		
White Oak Grove—E. B., Morven, N. C.	12	6	3	60	40	50				8	120	50	

RECAPITULATION.

Representing Fee	$69.95
State Convention	14.80
State and Foreign Missions	6.75
Girls' Education	8.75
Zion Academy	9.75
Delegates' Expenses	8.10
Public Collection	29.30
American Baptist PublicationSoc iety	1.75
Total Collection	$149.17

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Leak, G. R. West, J. Q. Robinson, Misses Elma Dunn and Mary J. Robinson, Committee.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGERS.

APPROPRIATIONS.

President, for Services	$ 2.50
Recording Secretary for Services	10.00
Sexton, for Services	1.25
Corresponding Secretary, for Services	5.25
Girls' Education	8.77
State Sunday School Convention	14.80
Home and Foreign Missions	6.75
Delegates' Expenses to State Convention	12.00
Rev. Joseph Ratliff	1.50
Rev. R. Diggs	1.50
J. R. Faison, on Salary	20.00
Total	$84.32

TREASURER'S REPORT.

G. W. Baucom, Treasurer, in account with the Zion Sunday School Convention.

DEBITS.

July, 1914, to amount on hand	$ 1.80
July, 1914, to amount received from S. S. Convention	68.01
July, 1914, to amount received from Cor. Secretary	8.65
Total debits	$78.46

CREDITS.

By payments as follows:

July, 1914, F. C. Allen	$33.35
August, 1914, B. Hood & Company	44.81
Total credits	$78.16
July, 1915, balance on hand	$ .30

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. BAUCOM, Treas Zion S. S. Convention.

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

We, your Commitee on Orgnization, after considering the names of the present officers of the Convention, recommend tha we sustain all of the names, except Mr. J. A. Crowder as Auditor and Mr. S. W. Gatewood as a member of the Board of Managers, and in their places we recammend Rev. J. R. Faison as Auditor and Mr. J. Q. Robinson as a member of the Board of Education.

Revs. B. J. Parsons, R. Diggs, Messrs. W. M. Nivens, J. C. Cason and Mrs. Cora B. Horne, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

We, your Committee on the President's Address, wish to recommend the following report:

1st. We recommend that this address be referred into the hands of the Committee on Resolutions.

2nd. We recommtnd that this address in full be printed in the minutes at the expense of the Convention, together with the President's photograph.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. Baucom, S. D. Wall, L. R. Rushing and Miss Edna Barrett, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, we see quite a field of usefulness is opened before prepared young men and women, and, whereas, they cannot master the situation without preparation, therefore be it resolved, that all Sunday Schools and Christian workers lend their influene in creating an educational idea among the young.

2nd. That each Sunday School urge at least one pupil to enter school somewhere and if practical, Zion Academy.

3rd. That each school take at least one collection for educational purposes during the year.

4th. That we rally enthusiastically for our own Zion Academy.

Revs. J. R. Faison, J. W. Diggs and J. J. Hines, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, we stand for Education and Missions, and whereas the people are so much depending on education, we recommend that this Convention pay a half scholarship for two worthy students in Zion Academy for the year 1915-16, which students must be recommended by the Board of Managers.

We further recommend tha the Superintendent of each school read to his Sunday School the reports made by the various committees that are recorded in the Sunday School Convention minutes, and urge the importance of following the suggestions made.

We further recommend that the Baraca and Philathea classes be organized when convenient.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Cox, J. R. McCoy, H. Medlin, Jas. Collins and Rev. J. T. Ratliff, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

We, your Committee on Obituary, beg leave to submit the following report:

As it has pleased Almighty God in His unerring providence to take from our midst the souls of the following brothers and sisters since our last Convention, we bow with reverence to Him who doeth all things well, and we extend

our sympathy to the bereaved families and Sunday Schools from whence those have gone. We commend them also to Him who doeth all things well.

Ramah Grove—Miss Hattie Diggs and Bro. Frank Marshall.

New Zion—Mrs Safrona Medlin.

White Oak—Miss Mary Leak.

Flint Ridge—Arrie Flake.

Sandy Ridge—Miss Rosie Marshall.

Madison Grove—Mr. Henry Little.

Elizabeth, Monroe—Mrs. D. L. Laney.

Respectfully submitted,

Revs. B. B. Sturdivant, B. J. Parsons, W. H. Horne and Miss Maggie Parsons, and M. J. Little.

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, recommend that the next Convention be held with Deep Creek Baptist Sunday School and Church, beginning Thursday before the third Sunday in July, 1916.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma Pratt, P. A. Davis and Dezzie Staton, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION.

We, your Committee on Constitution, beg leave to submit the following report:

That the second word in line two be changed in Art. 14, from night to 10 A. M. COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

We, your Committee on Ways and Means, beg leave to make the following report:

Whereas, our field is in need of finance to help carry on the objects of our Convention, we would recommend:

1st. That each Sunday School would have two rally Sundays during the Convention year, and use all moneys raised for the object of the Convention.

2nd. That each Sunday School in the field would have a Sunday School sermon: the time for the same should be arranged according to the convenience of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Melton, G. W. Baucom, V. L. Morgan and M. J. Sellers, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON NEW BODIES.

We, your Committee on New Bodies, beg leave to make the following report:

After organizing and meeting form time to time, no new schools were presented to us for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. Ashcraft, Miss Cora B. Horne, Mrs. A. C. Robinson, J. A. Ratliff and Miss Mary Tanner, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Missions, beg leave to submit the following:

1st. That we have the Literary Program prepared not only for the members of the Sunday School but the friends as well.

2nd. That the attraction consist of religious papers and solos.

3rd. That the teachers go upon the hedges and highways and prepare the children that are not prepared to attend the Sunday School and urge them to be on time.

4th. We further recommend that each Sunday School observe at least two picnics a year for the young people.

5th. We also recommend that each Sunday School and pastor combine to raise a special collection the second Sunday in October for Zion Academy.

Respectfully submitted,

I. S. A. Hilliard, J. P. Harris, S. L. Leak and Misses Martha Little and Mary Bivens, Committee.

COMMITTEE ON ESSAYS.

We, your Committee on Essays, beg leave to submit the following:

Miss Queen E. Coppedge, "Character."

Miss Shellie Davis, "Good Cheer."

Miss Pearl C. Curlee, "Principle."

Miss Martha Long, "Should Social Hygiene be Taught in Sunday School?"

Miss Ola Baucom, "Life and Personality."

Miss Sarah Lomax, "Honesty."

Miss Maggie Parsons, "The Kind of Young Girls We Need."

Miss Rebecca Williams, "Christianity."

Miss Nannie Davis, "Relation of Scripture to the Sunday School."

Miss Allie Horne, "What Are We Doing for the Children?"

Mrs. Hattie Richardson, "Strength of Character."

Mr. J. R. McCoy, a paper on——.

A quintette by local talent from Madison Grove.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Barrett, Carrie B. Tillman, Ola E. Baucom, Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have collected during the Convention moneys from the various sources as follows: